





## TESTIMONIALS

IN FAVOUR OF

MR. HUGH MILLER,  
SURGEON.

CANDIDATE FOR THE SURGEONCY OF THE GLASGOW  
TOWN'S HOSPITAL.

MDCCCXL.



TO THE HONOURABLE THE PRECEPTOR AND  
THE DIRECTORS OF THE TOWN'S HOSPITAL.

GENTLEMEN,

I beg respectfully to offer myself a Candidate for the Surgeoncy of the Town's Hospital, to be vacant in August next; and to lay before you the annexed Testimonials of my moral character, and professional qualifications, as well as of the manner in which I have hitherto discharged the duties incumbent upon me as District Surgeon.

I also take this opportunity of stating that in the event of my being successful in this application, I shall immediately resign my charge of the District, so that you may appoint a successor.

I have the honour to be,

GENTLEMEN,

Your very obedient Servant,

HUGH MILLER, Surgeon  
To the 11th District of City Poor.

1, WEST GEORGE STREET, }  
April, 1840. }



## TESTIMONIALS.

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*From the Rev. ROBERT BUCHANAN, of the Tron Church.*

Mr. Hugh Miller, Surgeon, has been a member of my Congregation for nearly five years. On joining it he produced a highly satisfactory Certificate of christian character and conduct from the Minister with whose Congregation he was previously connected. Since that time he has taught with great kindness and assiduity one of my Parish Sabbath Schools; and has uniformly conducted himself as became his christian profession. He is now a Candidate for the situation of Surgeon to the Town's Hospital, which, I understand, will be vacant in August next. It does not, of course, become me to offer any opinion as to his strictly professional qualifications for the office in question, but I can have no doubt, from the Medical Certificates in his favour which I have seen, and from the experience he must have had, both in his general practice, and in the office he now holds as a District Surgeon, that he is well fitted for its duties. And, on the ground of my own personal knowledge, I can safely testify that he possesses that general intelligence and activity, those obliging dispositions and christian principles, which will both incline and enable him to be faithful and efficient in the important situation after which he aspires.

(Signed)

ROBERT BUCHANAN,  
Minister of the Tron Parish.

London, 13th March, 1840.

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*From the Rev. THOS. BROWN, D. D., Minister of St. John's Church.*

17th May, 1836.

Although Mr. Hugh Miller is not a member of my Con-

gregation, yet, from visiting his mother's family, and a brother, when in deep distress, I had an opportunity of becoming well acquainted with him, and have every reason to believe him to be a young man of sound religious principles, and exemplary moral conduct. He is now applying for the situation of District Surgeon in the City, now vacant; and though I am not capable of judging of his professional qualifications, yet I have seen several of his Certificates from Gentlemen who are capable of appreciating his talents, and which are most satisfactory. From all I know or have seen of Mr. Miller, I should consider him, from character and attainments, well qualified for filling the situation for which he is a Candidate, and should sincerely rejoice in his success.

(Signed)

THOS. BROWN, Minister.

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*From the Rev. WILLIAM ANDERSON, Minister of the Relief Church, John Street.*

19th May, 1836.

For many years I have been acquainted with Mr. Hugh Miller, and have had opportunities of inspecting his character nearly. I bear witness to the soundness of his religious principles, and his practical integrity. His manners are free, respectful, and affectionate. His habits are industrious and active. I am not qualified to judge of his professional attainments, but I believe they are very respectable.

(Signed)

WILLIAM ANDERSON, Minister.

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*From J. BALMANNO, Esq., M. D., Physician to the Glasgow Royal Lunatic Asylum, &c. &c.*

I certify that Mr. Hugh Miller, Surgeon, attended my Lectures and Medical Practice in the Glasgow Royal Infirmary, in the Course of the years 1834-5; that I had reason to think very favourably of his diligence and proficiency; that since he engaged in Practice, I have had occasion to

meet him repeatedly in consultation; and I have no doubt that he will acquit himself reputably in any professional situation in which he may be placed.

(Signed)

J. BALMANNO, M. D.

Late Senior Physician to the Glasgow Royal Infirmary.

20th March, 1840.

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*From JOHN BURNS, Esq., M. D., Regius Professor of Surgery  
in the University of Glasgow, &c. &c.*

18th May, 1836.

I have known Mr. Hugh Miller for several years, and am well satisfied as to his knowledge and attention. I have no doubt that if elected to the office of a District Surgeon, he shall give complete satisfaction.

(Signed)

J. BURNS, M. D.

I beg to add that I consider Mr. Miller as well qualified to take charge of the Town's Hospital, as Surgeon to that Establishment.

J. BURNS.

19th March, 1840.

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*From JAMES CORKINDALE, Esq., M. D., L. L. B., Physician  
to the Jail and to the Bridewell of Glasgow.*

10th March, 1840.

This is to certify that I have had opportunities of being acquainted with the professional attainments and character of Mr. Hugh Miller, now District Surgeon, and Candidate for the office of Surgeon to the Poor's House. I am of opinion that he would discharge the very important duties of this office in a manner creditable to himself, satisfactory to the Managers of the Charity, and beneficial to the patients intrusted to his charge.

(Signed)

JAMES CORKINDALE, M. D., L. L. B.

*From HARRY RAINY, Esq., M. D., Physician to the Eye  
Infirmary, &c. &c.*

10th March, 1840.

Mr. Hugh Miller has for several years been engaged in the Practice of Medicine. I believe that he is thoroughly acquainted with all its departments ; and, from what I know of his professional and general character, I am convinced that he is well qualified to discharge the duties of Surgeon to the Town's Hospital.

(Signed)

HARRY RAINY, M. D.

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*From JOHN MACFARLANE, Esq., M. D., Physician to the  
Garngad Lunatic Asylum, &c. &c.*

10th March, 1840.

I have known, intimately, Mr. Hugh Miller, Surgeon, for several years. He has had his own share of practice, as a junior practitioner, and has officiated for some time as a District Surgeon. I know that he has enjoyed good opportunities of acquiring practical knowledge in all the departments of his profession, and, moreover, that he possesses great zeal and industry, and is exceedingly attentive to his patients.

For these reasons, I can have no hesitation in stating my conviction that he is well qualified for the situation of Surgeon to the Town's Hospital, for which he is a Candidate.

(Signed)

JOHN MACFARLANE, M. D.

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*From M. S. BUCHANAN, Esq., M. D., Lecturer on Anatomy,  
&c. &c.*

10th March, 1840.

I have known Mr. Hugh Miller for several years, and have had frequent opportunities of judging of his professional qualifications. I consider him an able, active, and intelligent practitioner, and feel convinced that he will give ample sa-

tisfaction to the Directors of the Town's Hospital, if elected to the vacant situation of Surgeon, for which he is at present a Candidate.

(Signed)

W. S. BUCHANAN, M. D.

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14th March, 1840.

*From ANDREW BUCHANAN, Esq., M. D., Professor of Physic in the University of Glasgow.*

I have had the pleasure of knowing Mr. Miller for several years past, and have occasionally met with him in consultation. I believe him to be well acquainted with the principles and practical duties of his profession.

(Signed)

ANDREW BUCHANAN, M. D.

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*From JAMES WILSON, Esq., M. D., Lecturer on Midwifery in the University of Glasgow, &c. &c.*

21st March, 1840.

I have known Mr. Miller, Surgeon, West George Street, for upwards of six years, and consider him a very active and industrious practitioner, and well qualified to discharge the duties of Surgeon to the Town's Hospital.

(Signed)

JAMES WILSON, M. D.

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*From JAMES ADAIR LAURIE, Esq., M. D. Professor of Surgery, Anderson's University, and one of the Surgeons to the Glasgow Royal Infirmary, &c. &c.*

I have had the pleasure of being well acquainted with Mr. Hugh Miller for some years. I have had several opportunities of meeting him professionally since he commenced practice in Glasgow. In addition to his private practice, he has had extensive experience as a District Surgeon; and I feel

certain that if appointed to the important office of Surgeon to the Town's Hospital, he will perform its duties with the same zeal, assiduity, and skill which he has hitherto displayed in all his professional avocations.

(Signed)

J. A. LAURIE, M. D.

MOORE PLACE, 25th March, 1840.

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*From JAMES BROWN, Esq., M. D., Professor of Midwifery  
Anderson's University, &c. &c.*

26th March, 1840.

I do hereby certify that I have known Mr. Hugh Miller, Surgeon, for several years. He appears to me to be a gentleman of excellent talents, and of much industry in the pursuit of his profession. He has been more than usually successful, for the time he has been in practice, in gaining the confidence of the public. He has been nearly two years a District Surgeon, and would, I have no doubt, fill the office of Surgeon to the Town's Hospital to the perfect satisfaction of the Directors.

(Signed)

JAS. BROWN, M. D.

73, St. Vincent Street.

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*From JAMES WATSON, Esq., M. D., President of the Faculty  
of Physicians and Surgeons, Glasgow.*

14th May, 1836.

I have known Mr. Hugh Miller, Surgeon, here, for some years, and have had considerable opportunities of becoming acquainted with his professional character. In my opinion, if elected, he will be a valuable District Surgeon. He is active and laborious in his habits, possessed of much general intelligence and good sense, and well informed in matters connected with his profession. I have no hesitation in recommending him to the favourable consideration of the electors.

(Signed)

JAMES WATSON, M. D.

From ALEX. J. HANNAY, Esq., M. D., Professor of Physic,  
Anderson's University, Physician to the Lock Hospital, &c.

14th May, 1836.

Mr. Hugh Miller has had a most excellent education, both literary and professional: endowed with good abilities, he has profited by his opportunities of instruction, and, having been some time in practice, has acquired that professional experience which entitles him to the confidence of the community, either as a private practitioner, or as the official of a public institution. I regard him as highly qualified for the office he desires to obtain.

(Signed)

ALEX. J. HANNAY, M. D.

From ROBERT HUNTER, Esq., M. D., Professor of Anatomy,  
Anderson's University, &c. &c.

13th March, 1840.

I have known Mr. Hugh Miller for some years, and entertain a good opinion of his professional attainments, and of his business habits. He has had already considerable experience in the treatment of disease; and, I have no doubt, if appointed to the situation to which he is at present aspiring, he would perform the duties of the situation with alacrity and success.

(Signed)

ROBT. HUNTER, M. D.

From J. M. Pagan, Esq., M. D., Lecturer on Medical Jurisprudence, and author of an excellent Work on Insanity, &c.

12th March, 1840.

Mr. Hugh Miller, Surgeon, was a Student in my Class of Medical Jurisprudence; I have had occasional opportunities of meeting him since he commenced practice in this City, several years ago, and, from all I know of his professional attainments, I have no hesitation in recommending him as well qualified to discharge the duties of Surgeon to the Town's Hospital, for which situation he is now a Candidate.

(Signed)

J. M. PAGAN, M. D.

From Wm. DAVIDSON, Esq., M. D., *Lecturer on Materia Medica, and one of the Physicians of the Glasgow Royal Infirmary, &c.*

13th September, 1837.

Mr. Hugh Miller attended my Lectures on *Materia Medica* several years ago, and distinguished himself as a diligent and very successful Student. I have had very frequent opportunities of meeting him since that period, and of ascertaining his general acquirements as a Medical Practitioner, and am fully satisfied that he is extremely well informed in the other departments of the medical profession.

(Signed)

WM. DAVIDSON, M. D.

10th March, 1840.

Since the date of the above Testimonial, I have had very frequent opportunities of confirming the opinion I then formed of Mr. Hugh Miller's qualifications as a Medical Practitioner; and I have no hesitation in stating, that he is highly qualified for the office of Surgeon to the Town's Hospital.

(Signed)

WM. DAVIDSON, M. D.

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From SAMUEL CLARKE, Esq., *Member of the Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow, &c. &c.*

17th May, 1836.

This is to certify that I have been acquainted with Mr. Hugh Miller, Surgeon, for several years past, during which time we have had many professional conversations, and some medical consultations; and from my having been one of the Board of Examiners when he received a Diploma from the Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons, and from my knowledge of his very active business habits, and his having been employed hitherto much among the poor, I have no hesitation in saying that he is the best qualified young man, in my knowledge, for being Surgeon to one of the City Districts.

(Signed)

SAM. CLARKE, Surgeon.

From **GEORGE WATSON**, Esq., *Member of the Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow.*

20th March, 1840.

I have known Mr. Hugh Miller for five or six years, and have no hesitation in stating, that in my opinion he is intelligent, active in his habits, and extremely attentive to business. His talents and education are both respectable, and I believe him to be well qualified to discharge the duties of Surgeon to the Town's Hospital, or of any similar Institution.

(Signed)

**GEORGE WATSON**, Surgeon.

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From **CHARLES MORTON**, Esq., *Member of the Apothecaries' Company, Dublin, and Surgeon and Apothecary to the Londonderry Infirmary.*

**DERRY**, 1st May, 1833.

Mr. Hugh Miller has been with me as Assistant in my Establishment for some time; has attended during my occasional absence to my patients, who, on all occasions, were perfectly satisfied with his professional acquirements and extreme attention: for my own part, it is with very great regret Mr. Miller is obliged to leave me, to forward his professional knowledge, at the same time to promote his own interest. Wherever he may go, he has the very best wishes of

(Signed)

**CHARLES MORTON.**

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From **W.M. WALKER**, Esq., *one of the Managers of the Glasgow Union Bank.*

**GLASGOW UNION BANK.**

**DEAR SIR,**

Being informed that you are a Candidate for the appointment of Surgeon to the Town's Hospital, I have very great satisfaction in bearing testimony to the alacrity and zeal with which you have attended to such cases

of sickness and disease among the poor of my proportion of St Paul's Parish as were recommended to your care, as District Surgeon.

And I may farther state, that frequently have these poor patients themselves spontaneously acknowledged how grateful they felt towards you for your care and attention.

It will afford me sincere pleasure to learn that your application is successful.

I am, DEAR SIR,

Yours very truly,

(Signed)

WM. WALKER, Elder.

To HUGH MILLER, Esq., }  
Surgeon.                   }

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From JOHN MACMILLAN, Esq., M. A., *one of the Teachers in the High School.*

I hereby certify that Mr. Hugh Miller, Surgeon, has been for now upwards of eighteen months acting as District Surgeon in the whole of the proportion of St. Paul's Parish of which I am Elder: that I have uniformly found him not only most prompt in visiting every case—and these have not been few—which I recommended to him, but also very successful and humane in the treatment of his pauper patients; that I know him to be much respected and beloved by all the poor people in my portion of his District whom he has had occasion to visit professionally, for both his feeling attention to their respective cases, and kindly sympathising with them in their trying circumstances of combined disease and poverty; that I have oftener than once found his sagacity and professional knowledge powerful auxiliaries in enabling me to detect the *real* character and habits of several applicants, of both sexes, for parochial aid; and that I should consider Mr. Miller extremely well qualified to fill, with credit to himself and advantage to the community, the situation to which he is at present aspiring.

(Signed)

JOHN MACMILLAN, M. A.

HIGH SCHOOL, GLASGOW, }  
March 25th, 1840.           }

From JOHN REID, Esq., *Merchant, Glasgow.*

Mr. Hugh Miller, Surgeon, has attended the Paupers in the proportion I have the charge of for nearly two years, and has been very attentive to the patients I recommended.

JOHN REID, Elder,  
St. Paul's Parish.

23d March, 1840.

From THOS. THOMSON Esq., *Manufacturer, Glasgow.*

15, CANDLERIGGS, 23d March, 1840.

Mr. Hugh Miller has discharged the duties of District Surgeon in my proportion of St. Paul's Parish to my entire satisfaction; I have found him to be very attentive to the situation of the poor families that came under his care.

(Signed) THOS. THOMSON, Elder.

From Wm. THOMSON, Jun. Esq., *Superintendent of Sessional poor, &c.*

20th March, 1840.

Mr. Hugh Miller, District Surgeon, has discharged his duties in the proportion of which I am Elder, in such a manner as seems to have given great satisfaction to the poor, as well as to

(Signed) WM. THOMSON, Jun.,  
Elder of 10th Proportion of High Church Parish.

From ALEXANDER WATT, Esq., *Elder.*

25th March, 1840.

I have had frequent intercourse with Mr. Hugh Miller, Surgeon, since he was appointed to attend to the sick poor in the North Parish; and, from the great attention he paid to the cases which fell to be treated by him as District Surgeon, I have formed a very high opinion of him, and have no doubt that he will faithfully discharge the duties of his profession in any situation in which he may be placed.

(Signed) ALEXANDER WATT, Elder,  
15, St. Mungo Street.





